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New York City Housing and Vacancy Survey:
1996 *[machine-readable data file]* Conducted by the Bureau
of the Census for the New York City Department of Housing
Preservation and Development. --Washington: The Bureau
[producer and distributor], 1997

Type of File

Microdata

Universe Description

The universe includes all housing units in the five boroughs of the City of New York - occupied and vacant.

Subject Matter Description

This file provides data on the characteristics of housing units and their occupants for 1996. Statistics are available on household income, poverty income levels, monthly rent, monthly mortgage payments, utility costs, routine maintenance fees, and real estate taxes. Data are shown for labor force characteristics for all household members 15 years and older. Data are also presented on the condition of the building, the occupancy status of the unit, the year the building was built, whether the unit is owner or renter occupied, condominium or cooperative status of the building, and wheelchair accessibility. Additional data focus on number of stories, units, and rooms in the unit; the type of heating fuel, maintenance indicators such as cracks or holes in walls or floors; and the occurrences of heating equipment breakdowns.

Data for vacant units include information on the number of stories and rooms, the presence of an elevator, principal type of heating fuel, and wheelchair accessibility. In addition, data are presented on the duration of the vacancy, the occupancy status before vacancy, whether the unit is available for rent or sale, the reason the unit is not available for sale or for rent, and if for rent, the monthly asking rent.

Geographic Coverage

New York City, its five boroughs: Bronx, Brooklyn, Manhattan, Queens, and Staten Island; and defined sub-borough areas within each borough. See Appendix E for information regarding sub-boroughs.

Technical Description

File Structure: Flat

File Size:

Household File 15,752 logical records; record length is 381 characters

Person File 38,457 logical records; record length is 125 characters

Vacant File 1,320 logical records; record length is 109 characters

Reference Materials

New York City Housing and Vacancy Survey : 1996 Technical Documentation. The documentation includes this abstract, an overview of the survey, data record layout, definition of rent regulation status, glossary and various appendices. It is available for \$10 from Administrative and Customer Services Division, Customer Services (Order Desk), Bureau of the Census, Washington, DC 20233.

Related Printed Tabulations

U.S. Bureau of the Census. *Special Housing Tabulations, 1996 New York City Housing and Vacancy Survey.* The tabulations cost \$50. For information on the availability of the tabulations, contact Housing and Household Economic Statistics Division, Bureau of the Census, Washington, DC 20233. Phone (301) 763-8165.

File Availability

The file may be ordered from Administrative and Customer Services Division using the attached Customer Services order form . The file is available on 9 track, 6250 bpi (EBCDIC or ASCII). The file may be also made available on IBM 34890-Compatible tape cartridge and CD-ROM.